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US-PTO Commissioner of patents

Application No: US10/538.907 (PCT/GR2004/00043)

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VARIABLE VALVE GEAR

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This is the reply to your letter of Jan 23, 2009.

EPO has granted the EP 1697619 patent (for the PCT/GR2004/00043 international application).

The EP 1697619 patent is published today 08 April 2009 at https://publications.european-patent-office.org/PublicationServer/search.jsp or directly at

http://www.pattakon.com/vvar/EP1697619_pattakon_VVAr_patent.pdf

The national phase in USA (application US10/538.907) of the same PCT/GR2004/00043 international application is finalized with the refusal of your Office to grant a patent.

EPO and USPTO are the two biggest Patent Offices of the world. Both patent offices were based on exactly the same text (in English) and the same drawings as published by WIPO/PCT (i.e. there is no case for translation mistakes and similar problems).

With the European patent granted, I hope you will reconsider my case because common sense and reason has always been above formalities.

> Thank you. Manousos Pattakos